

Outline for Briefing on Records Management Program

I. Definition History and Development of Records Management Program.

1. Paperwork commissions in U. S. Government - 1887-1952.

2. Records Management in the period 1930-1940.

3. First Hoover Commission

a. Organization for Government-wide direction.

b. Proposed Legislation

c. Content of Program.

d. Responsibility for Program.

4. Legislation

a. Public Law 754

b. Regulations issued by GSA.

5. Some results from Legislation:

a. Establishment of Federal Records Center

b. Establishment of Training Programs

6. Second Hoover Commission

a. Further improvement in Paperwork Management

b. Government-wide Correspondence Manual

c. GSA Workshops

7. Government Leadership and Its Effect on Industry

a. Leahy

b. Dethman - Ford Motor Co.

c. Britt - Ford Motor Co.

d. Shiff - National Records Management Council

8. Industry Progress

- a. National Records Management Council Research
- b. Chrysler Corporation Program
- c. American Telephones and Telegraph Company
- d. Union Carbide Corporation
- e. DuPont

II. Need for Records Management Techniques

- 1. Volume of records created-- 200,000 pieces of paper per year.
- 2. Volume of records collected per year.
- 3. High cost of Safe Filing Equipment.
- 4. Legal requirements - opinion of Agency General Counsel

III. Organization for Agency Records Management

1. Management Staff

- a. Staff responsibility
- b. Standards and Guide Lines
- c. Training
- d. Auditing- Monitoring
- e. Functional Alignment - forms; reports and correspondence; maintenance and disposition; and Archives and Records Center.

2. Decentralized Organization

- a. DD/I - component programs; co-ordinated by Special Assistant to DD/I.
- b. DD/P - Division and Staff programs; co-ordinated by CSFMO.
- c. DD/S - component programs; co-ordinated by Chief, Records Management Staff.

III. Organization for Agency Records Management (continued)

3. Standards and Guides

- a. Current regulation
- b. Published Handbooks - Subject-Numeric Filing System; Correspondence Handbook
- c. Brochures
- d. Workshops

IV. Training for Records Management

- 1. Records Management Institute - American University, National Archives; Annual Program.
- 2. Records Preservation and Archives Program - American University, National Archives; annually.
- 3. Records Management Certificate Program - American University.
- 4. On-the-job training - Special arrangements with components.

V. Administration of Program

- 1. Surveys and audits.
- 2. Special Projects.
- 3. Continuing requirements - Forms Management.
- 4. Operation of Records Center
- 5. Operation of Vital Records Program.
- 6. Meetings with Area Records Officers.
- 7. Participation in O&M Surveys.

VI. Reporting Program Processes

- 1. Weekly Reports.
- 2. Staff Meetings.
- 3. Annual Reports.
- 4. Special Situation Reports.